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SUBJECT: US ROMANIAN EXCHANGE PROGRAM

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1. WHILE I WOULD PREFER TO DISCUSS BOTH PARTS OF THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH BOGDAN TOGETHER, I AM POSTPONING DISCUSSION OF SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES PENDING CLARIFICATION OF SOME POINTS IN WASHINGTON.

2. I PLAN TO DISCUSS THE CULTURAL/EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM ALONG LINES SUGGESTED REFTEL. SPECIFICALLY:

A) UNIVERSITY-TO-UNIVERSITY EXCHANGES - WE CONSIDER THESE EXCHANGES EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND ARE WILLING TO BE FLEXIBLE WITHIN OUR LEGAL LIMITATIONS ABOUT LANGUAGE IN NEW PROGRAM AGREEMENT TO ENABLE GOR TO FUND THEM. IN THE MEANTIME, WE URGE GOR TO CONTINUE ALL EXISTING DIRECT EXCHANGES UNTIL WE FIND MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION TO ROMANIAN FUNDING PROBLEMS.

B) 90-DAY LIMITATION - CIES REPORTS THAT AMERICAN ACADEMIC COMMUNITY FINDS THIS LIMITATION AN UNNECESSARY IMPEDIMENT TO A MEANINGFUL RESEARCH PROGRAM. IT HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT FOR US TO PLACE ROMANIAN RESEARCHERS AT U.S. UNIVERSITIES BECAUSE OF THIS AND WE  
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URGE GOR TO ALLOW RESEARCHERS TO COME FOR ONE ACADEMIC SEMESTER.

C) GOR TAXING OF ROMANIAN GRANTEES - PER REFTEL.

3. IN ADDITION, I PLAN TO SOUND BOGDAN ON WHERE ADIRI-COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS SEMINARS MAY FIT IN HIS CONCEPT OF U.S.-ROMANIAN BILATERAL ROUND TABLES ON IMPORTANT MULTILATERAL ISSUES. FIRST SEMINAR IN BUCHAREST

IN 1976 WAS NOT ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY TO COUNCIL, IT APPEARS,  
AND REPORTEDLY JOHN CAMPBELL RESPONDED RATHER DUSTILY LAST  
YEAR TO ADIRI QUERY RE NEW YORK RETURN SESSION. AT SAME  
TIME, TWO SIDES EVIDENTLY AGREED TO SUCH SESSION IN  
NEXT TWO-THREE YEARS, TWO HAVE ALREADY PASSED, AND ADIRI  
SECRETARY GENERAL FOTINO HAS ASKED US TO RAISE TOPIC WITH  
CAMPBELL. BEFORE DOING SO, HOWEVER, SOUNDING WITH BOGDAN  
SEEMS APPROPRIATE, SINCE FOR CERTAIN TOPICS, LIKE  
DISARMAMENT, ROUND TABLE FORMAT COMBINING GOVERNMENT AND  
NON-GOVERNMENT EXPERTS COULD BE MOST PRODUCTIVE, AND  
ESTABLISHED ADIRI-COUNCIL LINK A PROMISING VEHICLE.  
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